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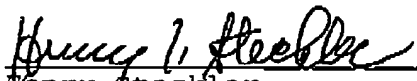
Application Serial No. 09/829,171 and Patent No. 6,820,065 were, at the time the invention of Application No. 09/829,171 was made, owned by company Ascom Hasler Mailing Systems, Inc.

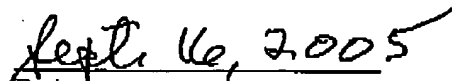
In view of the above statement, Naclerio is not a valid reference; see MPEP 706.02(1)(2).

For this additional reason, as well as those previously given in the last response, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicant's attorney at the telephone number below.

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